THE GREAT NORTHWEST

Topics of General Interest in the New States and Elsewhere.

BEATEN IN TWO COURTS

The Northern Pacific's Land Tax Law Suit-The Murder of Ter Yago Unavenged-Strike of Switchmen.

Mr. Charles Flinn left a piece of sand-stone in the Weiser Leader office the other day, containing a large leaf that much res that of a maple. The leaf was evidently about nine inches across. It was found in a quarry near there,

A gang of men is traveling about the country offering to paint the roof of a building for \$5. When the work is done the farmer receives a bill of \$5 for painting the roof, just as agreed, but in addition thereto is the following; Forty gallons of paint, \$1.50 per gallon, \$60.

A farmer named Duclow put up at the Parker house in Sioux Falls, S. D., the other night. He failed to properly turn off the gas and was found in an unconscious condition the next mdrning but recovered in an hour or two. This his second experience in the same

The dead body of a man with his skull crushed was found on the ice under the Northern Pacific bridge at Grand Forks, S. D., the other morning. It is supposed that he started to walk across the bridge, and a train came upon him, and in attempting to escape that he slipped and fell to the ice below.

Last week a Bay Center, Wash., young man made some unsavory remarks about a young lady of that place, and the next day a party of citizens rotten-egged the young man. The young man's parents threatened to prosecute the egg-throwers, but a threat to drive the entire family out of the town induced them to change their

Lee Miller, a well-known farmer, living near Colfax, Wash., disappeared recently, leaving a note that his body would be found in the Palouse river. A thorough search failed to discover the corpse, and now that his affairs have been investigated, he is "short" in his accounts several thousand dollars, and it is thought he has "skipped" to avoid creditors.

The school land case at Rapid City, S. D., has been sent to the state supreme court by the United States district court at Sioux Falls. This is the celebrated controversy over a school section near Rapid City, on which M. H. Day claimed to have liscovered coal. The core which was offered as evidence was found on measuring it to be one-eighth of an inch larger than the drill with which it was said to have been taken out.

The switchmen in the Northern Pacific yards at Livingston went out on a strike Wednesday. They demanded that the yardmaster be discharged, which was refused. New men, green hands, have taken their places. Freight train No. 14, coming west, was wrecked near Reed's Point section house Wednesday morning. The engine had run into cattle and thrown some out on the bank, and after passing the stock rolled down again on the track and under the freight cars. Eight cars were ditched and badly wrecked.

Seattle is seriously talking of forming a vigilance committee. A Seattle mer-chant, speaking of the affair recently, said: "The formation of this vigilance committee means business. The people have been trifled with long enough, and if the courts will not help us we will help ourselves. The idea that the mere letter of the law is to be taken in its vague terms, regardless of the intent and spirit of it, and these thieves and thugs allowed to go scot free, is too much to swallow, protect ourselves. You nee not be surprised if you see a lamp post decorated some morning with the body of one of the wretches that make Seattle's highways dangerous to travel."

There are 96 persons in the Sioux Falls penitentiary, there being only one woman in the prison. Owing to the prison hav-ing no contract on hand for work, the prisoners are idle. A great deal of summer work has been done in the quarry blasting out stone for the wall around the prison. Most of the appropriation, \$2,000, has been used already in the furnishing of the quarry. A new mode of tactics has been adopted with reference to the exercise of the prisoners. An hour and a half a day is devoted to military drill, special effort being made in the foot movements. This has afforded a great relief to the prisoners, and on pleasant days they are marched out on the gravel walk and given a good march.

Lieutenant James O'Neil, who has recently returned from exploring the Olympics under the auspices of the United States government and the Oregon Alpine Club, was in Seattle Monday night, In answer to an inquiry by a Scattle Press reporter as to whether he found any precious metals or valuable minerals he said no, with the exception of some iron and copper, neither of which might be worth working, though of course only development would show this. He did find some valuable timber, and some very curious geological formations. Most of the ground over which the lieutenant passed was barren for commercial or agricultural purposes, but he saw many elk and killed ten in one day, the meat of which he dried and served the party as food for a long time, the lieutenant forbidding the killing of any except as food. In answer to a question as to agricultural land, the licuenant said there was some splendid land, but most of it is on a reservation.

The Northern Pacific Railroad company has a case in the supreme court against J. L. Patterson, treasurer of Gallatin county, which it will probably take to the supreme court of the United States, having been beaten in the district court at Bozeman and in the highest court of the state. In 1889 the treasurer of Gallatin assessed certain lands in that county lying along the line of the road as belonging to the company. The railroad company refused to pay any taxes on the lands. In its complaint in the lower court it says that neither of said lands described have ever been certified or patented to it; and neither the government of the United states nor any of its officers | agriculture, deprecating socialism and have ever determined or ascertained what specific lands, if any, passed to the company by virtue of its grant, although it has repeatedly asked and petitioned the United States government to determent to foreclose its mortgages on the mine the specific lands that inured to the Pacific railroads, favoring the governcompany under and by virtue of said act | ment loaning money to people upon lands of congress. The railroad company se- or other good securities.

cured a temporary injunction against the treasurer, which was subsequently dis-solved by the district court, and in an order made directing the treasurer to advertise and sell the premises for taxes.

From this order the company appealed and gave bonds. The action of the lower court was sustained. The determination of the questions involved in this controversy will settle several disputed points regarding the company's title to lands which are within its land grant limits.-Helena Independent.

In the trial of Charlie Hope, one of the Indians charged with the murder of Ter Yago, at Dillon, the jury disagreed after being out 24 hours. The indictment against Yall. being out 2s hours. The indicament against Yellowstone, the Indian impli-cated in the killing of Ter Yago, will probably be nollied. The evidence is limited to the confessions of Yellowstone and Charlie Hope to other members of their tribe and is to the effect that Yago. while drunk, bested Hope in a fisticus? Yellowstone interfered and Yago was beaten until he promised to be peaceable. When he was allowed to get up he said he would kill Yellowstone and Hope, making a good starter by breaking a beer bottle on Yellowstone's head. The other two then choked Yago until he was insensible and while in this condition put a rope around his neck, tied the other end to the pommel of a saddle. Hope then mounted a horse and started off at a gallop. The rope broke when Yago had been dragged about twenty-five yards. When the body was found a few days later the rope had nearly severed the head from the body.

A MYTHICAL DUEL

In Which an Englishman Tests a Frenchman's Courage.

There are many accounts of fantastic duels in which the aggrieved party has pushed courage to the point of desperation. Of all these the most terrible and absurd at once is the story told in France of a duel not long ago between a celebrated French duelist and an eccentric

The Frenchman, who passed for a bully, put a grievous insult upon the Englishman, who resented it, but did not send a challenge. The Frenchman, therefore, which the Englishman accepted, but re turned a message that he knew how to

use neither pistols nor swords.

The French bully clamed that this was done in the hope of avoiding a meeting, and hinted that the Englishman was a Upon this the Englishman came to see

voice:
"You have left me the choice as to the manner in which this duel shall be fought. I will meet you in a week from this time and at this same place. Take care to be on hand and fight as I direct."
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At the appointed time a great crowd
gathered in the field near the Frenchman's honse. The hour struck and a
small balloon was was rapidly descending. It came to earth, the Englishman
jumped out, and, making a low bow to
his antagonist, invited him to enter the
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"What madness is this?" cried the Frenchman.

"Jump in, unless you wish me to post you as a coward," cried the Englishman, furiously. And he dragged the bewildered Frenchman into the balloon car, pulled the valve string and up they shot into space, leaving the Frenchman's friends yelling and gesticulating below.

"You called me a coward," said the Englishman, who appeared cool and firm.

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"We are going to find out who is the coward."

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As the balloon swept on upward he whisked the lid off from a little barrel and showed the bully that it was two-thirds full of gunpowder.

"Now," he said, "in that little charcoal furnace a poker lies heated red-hot. We are going to draw lots for the privilege of taking the poker first. If you draw the right you may do as you please. If I draw it I shall take the poker and plunge it into the barrel of gunpowder! That, monsieur, is to be one due!"

The Frenchman looked for the earth, which was already lost to view; he cast a horrifted glance at the charcoal furnace,

horrified glance at the charcoal furnace, from which little sparks flew; he gazed at the barrel of gunpowder, then fell down

when he came to his senses he found the Englishman seated on the barrel of gunpowder and broiling a fine beefsteak over the charcoal. He was about to faint again when the Englishman said with a smile.

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"Calm yourself, my dear sir. This barrel does not contain gunpowder, but black sand, quite harmless. I merely wished to test your courage. And now let us be friends. You will not refuse to dine with me?" And he whisked off the steak, put it on a plate, rigged a board over the barrel and began to uncork a bottle of wine.

"I will dine with you," said the Frenchman, "but only after you have tossed that charcoal furnace overboard. Do you not know that it may send us to perdition in an instant?"

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"Nonsense, man! one would think you were afraid! Eat and drink while we descend slowly to terra firma." And he pressed the food on the duelist, who swore afterward that it was the most awful moment of his life.

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At last they came safely down. The Frenchman told the story and said the Englishman was a maniac, but he could never get his friends to agree with him.

From the New York I ispatch.

Mrs. Kelley, the Irish washerwoman. came for the soiled clothes just after the Doones had moved into their new flat, which was reached by an elevator. "Phwar's the shtairs?" she asked of the

hall boy.
"There," he answered, pointing to the door of the elevator.
"Phwat floor's the Doones on?"

"I'll show you," said the obliging boy, stepping into the elevator after her and pulling the rope as he closed the door.

When the car began to move, Mrs. Kelley was frightened and she began to

"Lit me out! lit me out!"

"In a minute," the boy replied, and soon slid the door back, and she stepped out into a narrow hall.

"The Doones live there," the boy remarked, pointing to a door on the right.

"If that isn't a quare shtairs," the washerwoman observed, gazing back at the elevator in astonishment. "Just one joomp an' you're up. But it moost cost a pile o' money to live in a house phwat has joompin' shtairs!"

What the National Grange Wants. ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 19 .- The National Grange closed its session to-day. Resolutions were passed favoring the Conger labor bill, and the Paddock pure food bill, the meat inspection bill, favoring opening the markets of the world to American anarchism, deprecating the Australian ballot system, urging the necessity of closely watching the inter-state commerce bill to prevent its repeal, urging govern-

THE DEAD MAN'S BEAT'

Kansas City's Streets Patrolled by a Spectre Policeman.

A BEAT NO MAN WILL WALK

A Strange Story of a Mysterious Death, and a Ghostly Police Officer and His Spectre Dog-An Unsolved Mystery.

"Dead Man's Beat" was the grue title that for many months clung to that portion of East Ninth street lying between nd and Prospect avenues in this It is the most aristocratic portion of town, too, but, nevertheless, no policeman would voluntarily do duty there. The beat is haunted. Formerly not a man was ever assigned there but death or disaster overtook him. Since January last, howver, a series of naughty manifestations has given the locality a new name, and "Dead Man's Beat" is now known as the place where the ghost walks, says a Kan-

sas City paper. Every night now, beginning at 8 o'clock and continuing until 1 in the morning, the phantom figure of a policeman, clad in the heavy uniform of a wintry night, the high collar of his overcoat turned up about his ears, whether it be warm or chilly, may be seen regularly patrolling up and down that street, and trotting along close at his heels is the spectral

figure of a small dog. At stated intervals, each half square, the spectral policeman pauses, stoops over and then his arm raises with uplifted club and descends upon the edge of the curbstone; but like the phantom footsteps of the policeman himself, no sound issues. the policeman himself, no sound issues. Each half square is this motion of tapping gone through, but only an oppressive silence follows instead of the welcome sound of the locust against the curb. Thus the long hours of the night pass and 1 o'clock draws near. There is a churchtower not far distant and the bell in it strikes the hour in it with a distinctness that falls harshly on the ear.

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When the bell's sonorous sound has ceased the pair of spooks reach the southwest corner of Park avenue and Ninth street, and, leaning against a huge elm, the policeman shivers and draws his collar more closely about his neck, while the little dog cowers at his heels. Time them by the watch! The figures of the spectral twain appear to fade away. Little by little they go, and then they finally merge into an indistinct maze, and just as the minute hand points to three minutes past 1 o'clock in the tall tower they disappear altogether and are not seen again until 8 o'clock on the following evening.

For many a long month prior to that tragic night of January 1st that fated beat was under the ban of the police as a "Jonah." Every man who had ever been assigned to duty upon it met with a signal misfortune. Thus it was that it became known as "Dead Man's Beat."

Denny Thomas was the first victim of the strange fatalities that clustered about the neighborhood. It was about the time that the police department of Kansas City was recreaning on the meteroelitan.

the neighborhood. It was about the time that the police department of Kansas City was reorganized on the metropolitan plan that Denny was put on duty there in the usual course of events. Three nights afterward he became ill, and a week later a sorrowful procession of his mates fol-lowed him to a grave in Elmwood Ceme-tery.

dark night, while making his rounds, he stumbled into a coal hole that some man's stupidity had left open. An hour later the Sergeant, after a diligent search, came upon the death trap, into which he nearly the Sergeant, after a diligent search, came upon the death trap, into which he nearly fell himself. Flashing his lantern into the depths the Sergeant saw the form of Devinney stretched on the heap of coal below. Some time elapsed before the owner of the cellar could be awakened and the ambulance called, and when poor Devinney was finally reached he was cold and stiff in death, his neck having been broken by the fall.

For the first time the singular chain of fatalities attending the East Ninth street patrol duty was noticed. Through six

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did disaster relentlessly pursue every policeman sent to that fatal spot.

Simon Harris was the seventh man to
take the beat, and two weeks after going
on duty there he was shot and wounded
one night in an effort to arrest a couple
of peace-disturbers. Though he survived his wounds he was forever incapacitated for active duty, and he is now a
station-house keeper.

After that there were no assignments to
the beat. The chief humanely refused to
pass what seemed equivalent to a death
sentence on his men, and the beat thereafter went by lot. John Knowles got the
first black bean, and he at once resigned
from the force, Pat Connors followed,
and for a time the dreadful hoodoo of the
beat seemed to have run its course, or beat seemed to have run its course, or rather to have transferred itself to little "Tug," a skye terrier, of whom detail will be given. Pat Connors covered the beat for six months without disaster, and the men fondly hoped that East Ninth street's misfortune was a logged of the street's misfortune was a legend of the

the men fondly hoped that East Ninth street's misfortune was a legend of the past.

But now to the dog Tug. He suddenly appeared at the Central station one day soon after John Knowles resigned.

For weeks he remained unnoticed and disconsolate, fed only at intervals by Frank Morgan, the officer in charge of the station. This was the situation at the time that Morgan succeeded Connors on "Dead man's beat," whose terrors were now somewhat dimmed by the long period of immunity Connors had enjoyed.

It was just before the holidays that Frank went on duty, patrolling the beat at night. He was regularly followed by Tug, and when his brother officers saw Morgan, thus weighed down, as it were, by the double handicap of two Jonahs, they shook their heads once more and again predicted ill. But Morgan gave no heed to the croaking.

The night of January I came. It was a cold night, when all the elements seemed at war, while a biting, freezing cold prevailed, and under the fierce gale the flying particles of sleet and snow cut a man as if with a knife.

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With bent head, Tug close at his heels, With bent head, Tug close at his heels, the officer pursued his way, hour after hour, rapping the pavement at intervals, the sound of the club's contact being carried away by the winds. Several times Morgan made his regular report to the sergeant. His next report was to be made at 1 o'clock at the corner of Park avenue and Ninth street. On that corner stands a huge elm tree, and Morgan leaned against it, seeking protection from the storm. Tug was probably standing at Frank's heels. As before stated, it was a wild night. The flying dead leaves were rushing through the air, and the creaking of the swaying trees and the soughing of the gale through the telephone wires overhead, all around the rattle of shutters—these combined to create a perfect wintry pandemonium.

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In all the noise neither Morgan nor Tug In all the noise neither Morgan nor Tug-noticed the assassin who was steathfully creeping up from out the black shadows behind. Closer and closer crept the mid-night foe, until he stood directly behind Morgan, and still the dog could not have observed him, or he would have given a observed him, or he wants have given a warning growl. The assassin's arm was uplifted, and in the hand was held a long knife that descended with swift and resistless force into Morgan's back and,

slightly turning to the left, pierced the heart. So powerful was the blow that the sharp steel cut through the heavy garments and into the flesh and bone, the sharp steel cut through the heavy garments and into the flesh and bone, severing the spinal cord, so that death must have been instantaneous. The murdered officer fell suddenly, a limp and inert mass, and in falling he crushed and killed Tug, for when found a few moments later the dog lay under his master, his white, woolly hair dyed crimson with Morgan's life blood. Both were dead and rapidly stiffening in the intense cold. Thus they were found by the sergeant. At the undertaker's it was shown that Morgan's watch had stopped at just three minutes past 1 o'clock, marking exactly the moment of his assassination.

It was never learned who struck the cowardly blow. Morgan was not known to have had any enemies, and the supposition was that he was mistaken for another policeman, Jim Ryan, whom he resembled, and who had incurred the deadly hatred of a gang of young toughs by shooting one of their number.

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For several days a keen and active search was prosecuted for the murderer, but as no success attended it the efforts were finally abandoned. It was on the night following this decision that the ghosts of the murdered policeman and the dog Tug were first seen, and they may still be seen every night pacing backward and forward through the lonely hours un-til 1 o'clock, when they fade and disap-pear at the fatal corner.

Garnets Cheap as Dirt.

From the Chicago Tribune "Where do garnets come from?" was asked of a traveler for an eastern jewelry

"Garnets! Why, they are as cheap as dirt in the raw. You can buy all the rough garnets you want for from 10 to 20 cents a pound. The cutting is what makes them valuable. The majority of them are found in the archæn or granite formation and in porphyritic formations. You find tin and you'll find garnets. When those three Cornishmen brought seven tons of pure cassitrite ore from Cornwall to salt a fake tin mine in the Black Hills they did not forget the gar-nets. They shot the earth full of tin ore and garnets with shotgans and realized about £240,000 on the deal."

Endorsing Professor Koch. Berlin, Nov. 19.—To-morrow's number of the German Medical Weekly will contain an article signed by Drs. Bermann Fraentzel and Witliam Levy and Staff Surgeon Koehl, in which they declare, after experiments in many different cases, they are prepared to fully endose Professor Koch's statements regarding his remedy.

Methodist Missions.

Boston, Nov. 19 .- The Methodist misionary Conference finished its labore this evening. Among the final appropri-ations was \$62,750 for the Rocky Mountain conference; \$24,500 for the Pacific Coast. Some unimportant reductions were made in appropriations for California and Ore

CHERIFF'S SALE—Mary R. Evans, executor of the last will and testament of Phil E. Evans, deceased, J. R. Van Gundy, Lew Coleman and A. H. Mitchell, Flaintins, versus The Montana Fire Clay and Brick company, Frank Hatton and William Thompson, defendants.

Under and by virture of an order of sale in the above entitled case, issued from out of the district court of the third judicial district of the State of Montana, I will sell at public auction on Saturday the 18th day of Docember, A. D., 1890, at 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, in Front of the Montana Fire Clay and Brick Catagany's building, about three fourths of a mile, east of the City of Anaconda, in Deer Lodge county, Montana the following described as follows, to wit: That certain clay lode mining claim situate and being in unknown mining district in said county and state known and recorded in the books of record of lode claims, book 2, page 477, as the Look Ont Lode clay Mining claim; also that certain selaim known and recorded in the Books of Record of Deer Lodge county as the "Iron Clad" lode, located on the 5th day of June, 1887, and recorded in Book No. 1 of Forms, page 608; also that other claim known and recorded in the said records in Book No. 2, of Forms, page 280, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the said recorded in Book No. 2, of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the said recorded in Book No. 2, of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the said recorded and Rook No. 2, of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the said recorded and Rook No. 2, of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the said recorded and Rook No. 2 of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the cuth day of July, 1887, and recorded in Book No. 2 of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the said recorded and Rook No. 2 of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor Lode claim and located on the said recorded and Rook No. 2 of Forms, page 291, as the McGregor and located on the 20th day of July 1887; also that other claim located on the 20th day of July, 1887, and recorded in Book No. 2 of Forms, page 291, as the Mountain Viewlode and known by said name; also that other claim located on the 20th day of July, 1887, and recorded in Book No. 2 of Forms at page 289, as the Eighi lode and known by said name; also a certain milisite located on the 25th daylof June, 1887, and recorded in said records of said county, Book "K" of miscellaneous records, page 178 and which said record and the said lagos-thereof in the clerk and recorder's office of said county, reference is hereby made for a more, particular described. Also a certain water right known as the Iron Clad water right; also, the mill machinery, kilns and appurtenances and the entire plant of the said Montana Fire Clay and Brick company erected and used for the purpose of its operations and the land upon which the same is situated and being in said Deer Lodge county, State of Montana, and being in the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 2, township 4, north of range 11 west of the principal base and meridian of Montana and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the northwest corner, a point designated by a stake set 165 feet south of the Montana Union Railroad track, from which point or corner the quarter section corner on the west boundary of section 2, township 4, north of range (1) leven west, bears north 7 degrees west west 1.700 feet, and running er on the west bolindary of section 2, fownship north of range (11) eleven west, bears north 7 degrees west west 1,700 feet, and running hence south 400 feet, thence both 76 degrees, 9 minutes east 400 feet, thence north 373 feet, hence north 72 degrees, 49 minutes west 407 eet to the northwest corner to the place of bereet to the northwest corner to the piace of be-ginning and all of said above described mines being about (2%) two and one-half miles from the Town of Anaconda, and said last described property being near the Town of Anaconda, in said county and state.

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